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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2161  
Docket No.: 826.1711

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Tetsuo NAKATA, et al.

Serial No. 09/812,551

Group Art Unit: 2161

Confirmation No. 2646

Filed: March 21, 2001

Examiner: Matthew Gart

For: SALE DEVICE WITH A FUNCTION TO AUTHENTICATE A PURCHASER AND  
METHOD THEREOF

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 16 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on June 16, 2004.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.